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SUBJECT: PAPER FOR GOJ ON DEFENSE PROCUREMENT

E. O. 11652: GDS

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1. WE HAVE REVIEWED TEXT OF PAPER DRAFTED BY EMBASSY FOR POSSIBLE PRESENTATION TO GOJ AS FOLLOW UP TO AMBASSADOR EBERLE' S DISCUSSIONS IN TOKYO IN EARLY FEBRUARY. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DELIVER REVISED TEXT TO FOREIGN MINISTRY AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. TEXT AND LIST AS REVISED FOLLOWS:

" MINISTER :

( INTRODUCTION NOTING EBERLE DISCUSSIONS)

IN PURSUANCE OF FOREGOING DISCUSSIONS, THE UNITED STATES IS PREPARED TO MAKE AVAILABLE VARIOUS FIRST- LINE DEFENSE EQUIPMENTS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN TO ASSIST  
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THE JAPAN SELF DEFENSE FORCES IN MORE EFFECTIVELY AND ECONOMICALLY ACHIEVING THE 4 TH DEFENSE BUILDUP OBJECTIVES. THIS EQUIPMENT MAY BE ACQUIRED AT REASONABLE COST AND IS ECONOMICALLY SUPPORTABLE FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD. U. S. TRAINING, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, AND MAINTENANCE IN SUPPORT OF THIS EQUIPMENT ARE ALSO AVAILABLE, IF DESIRED. THE ACQUISITION OF THESE ITEMS WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE JAPAN' S DEFENSIVE CAPABILITIES AND ENHANCE COOPERATIVE OPERATIONS DURING EMERGENCIES OF MUTUAL CONCERN.

" THE SELECTED MAJOR EQUIPMENT TO BE MADE AVAILABLE IS LISTED IN THE ATTACHED ENCLOSURE. IF ADDITIONAL MAJOR EQUIPMENT/ SYSTEMS ARE DESIRED, WE WOULD BE PLEASED TO DISCUSS OTHER AVAILABILITIES. THE U. S. GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES JAPAN' S DESIRE TO DOMESTICALLY PRODUCE MOST DEFENSE HARDWARE AND TO DESIGN THESE ITEMS WHEREVER FEASIBLE AND ECONOMICAL . THE ATTACHED ITEM LIST, THEREFORE, WAS FORMULATED TO MEET DEFENSE REQUIREMENTS IN AREAS WHERE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ( R& D) AND PRODUCTION COSTS COULD BE PROHIBITIVE, AND WITH DUE CONSIDERATION FOR ONGOING DOMESTIC PRODUCTION PROGRAMS. THE ACQUISITION OF THESE ITEMS, PREFERABLY THROUGH DIRECT PURCHASE OR ALTERNATIVELY SOME FORM OF COPRODUCTION, WOULD ALSO INTRODUCE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY TO JAPANESE INDUSTRY, WHICH SHOULD BE OF SUBSTANTIAL VALUE IN FUTURE R& D PROGRAMS FOR DEFENSE AND RELATED HIGH TECHNOLOGY ITEMS. SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION, ALL OF THE ITEMS LISTED ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE OR, WITH SOME EXCEPTIONS, FOR COPRODUCTION.

" WE ARE PREPARED TO DISCUSS, AT YOUR CONVENIENCE, THE METHODS AND MEANS OF ACQUIRING THESE ITEMS.

#### MAJOR EQUIPMENT LIST

ANTI- SUBMARINE WARFARE AIRCRAFT - P3 C

AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING AIRCRAFT - E2 C

HEAVY- LIFT HELICOPTER - CH-47

HEAVY- LIFT HELICOPTER - CH-53

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SPARROW MISSILE SYSTEM FOR SHIPS

ANTI- TANK MISSILE SYSTEM ( LONG RANGE) - TOW

ANTI- TANK MISSILE SYSTEM ( SHORT RANGE) - DRAGON

SURFACE- TO- AIR MISSILE SYSTEM ( MEDIUM RANGE) - CHAPARRAL

SURFACE- TO- AIR MISSILE SYSTEM ( REDEYE)".

2. ALTHOUGH ATTACHED LIST IS NOT INTENDED TO BE  
EXHAUSTIVE, EMBASSY MAY WISH CONSIDER ADDITION OF DOWN-  
LOOKING RADAR FOR FIGHTER AIRCRAFT AND COMMAND AND CON-  
TROL SYSTEMS ( NTDS) FOR NEW DESTROYERS. ALL ITEMS LISTED  
ARE AVAILABLE FOR SALES OR COPRODUCTION, SUBJECT TO

NEGOTIATION, EXCEPT FOR REDEYE AND NTDS WHICH ARE FOR  
SALE ONLY. ROGERS

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